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§ 57.905 Importation of restricted eggs or eggs containing more restricted eggs than permitted in the official standards for U.S. Consumer Grade B.

(a) No containers of restricted egg(s) other than checks or dirties shall be imported into the United States. The shipping containers of such eggs shall be identified with the name, address, and country of origin of the exporter, and the date of pack and quality of the eggs (e.g., checks, or dirties) preceded by the word "Imported" or the statement "Imported Restricted Eggs-For Processing Only In An Official USDA Plant," or "Restricted Eggs—Not To Be Used As Human Food." Such identification shall be legible and conspicuous. Alternatively, for properly sealed and certified shipments of shell eggs imported for breaking at an official egg products plant, the shipping containers need not be labeled, provided that the shipment is segregated and controlled upon arrival at the destination breaking plant.

(b) Eggs which are imported for use as human food and upon entry are found to contain more restricted eggs than permitted in the official standards for U.S. Consumer Grade B, shall be refused entry and returned to the importing country or be conspicuously and legibly identified as "Imported Restricted Eggs" and be sent directly under official seal: (1) To a place where they may be regraded to comply with the official U.S. standards for consumer grades; (2) to an official USDA egg products processing plant; or (3) to be used as other than human food.

§57.915 Foreign inspection certification required.

- (a) [Reserved]
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in §57.960, each consignment of shell eggs shall be accompanied by a foreign inspection certificate, which, unless otherwise approved by the Administrator contains the following information:
 - (1) Country exporting product;
 - (2) City and date where issued;
 - (3) Quality or description of eggs;
- (4) Number of cases and total quantity;
- (5) Identification marks on containers;

- (6) Name and address of exporter;
- (7) Name and address of importer;
- (8) A certification that the quality or description of the shell eggs, including date of pack, is true and accurate;
- (9) A certification that shell eggs which have been packed into containers destined for the ultimate consumer have, at all times after packing, been stored and transported under refrigeration at an ambient temperature of no greater than 45 °F (7.2 °C); and
- (10) Name (including signature) and title of person authorized to issue inspection certificates for shell eggs exported to the United States.

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§ 57.920 Importer to make application for inspection of imported eggs.

Each person importing any eggs shall make application for inspection upon PY Form 222-Import Request, to the Chief, Poultry Grading Branch, Poultry Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, or to the Poultry Division, Poultry Grading Branch office at the port where the product is to be offered for importation. Application shall be made as long as possible prior to the arrival of each consignment of product, except in the case of product exempted from inspection by §57.960. Each application shall state the approximate date of product arrival in the United States, the name of the ship or other carrier, the country from which the product was shipped, the destination, the quantity and class of product, whether fresh, frozen, or dried, and the point of first arrival in the United States.

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§ 57.925 Inspection of imported eggs.

(a) Except as provided in §57.960, eggs offered for importation from any foreign country shall be subject to inspection in accordance with established inspection procedures, including the examination of the labeling information on the containers, by an inspector before the product shall be admitted into the United States. Importers will be advised of the point where inspection